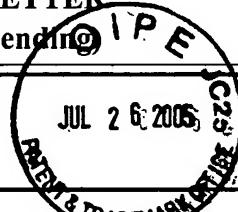


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Petition to Accept Color Photographs under 37 CFR §1.84(a)(2) and (b)(2)
w/3 sets of color photographs AND 1 copy in black and white for Figs. 6 & 7

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**PETITION TO ACCEPT COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2) and (b)(2)**

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Sir:

This petition is for the acceptance of color photographs under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2) and (b)(2). Attached hereto are three (3) sets of color photographs and one set of black and white photographs of the color photos. Please amend the specification by inserting the following language as the first paragraph of the specification beginning a Brief Description of the Drawings starting at the bottom of page 3 line 24 and continuing through the top of page 4:

The patent or application file contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawings will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.

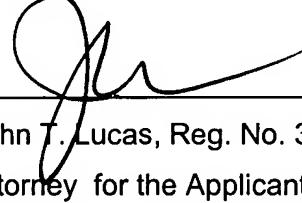
Attached hereto are marked-up and substitute sections of a page illustrating the amendment to the specification and how the amended specification would appear with the above noted changes.

The use of color photographs is necessary for Figs. 6 and 7 of the instant application to clearly illustrate the detail within the invention and the effect of the process on the foil sample. The color photographs submitted with this patent application, clearly illustrate the present invention.

The Applicants request that this petition be approved and the attached color photographs be made available with the patent, upon request.

The petition fee of \$130 required to waive the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.84 is included herewith as a separate attachment.

Respectfully submitted,



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The following is a marked-up version of the amended specification, in conjunction with the petition to accept color photographs under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2) and (b)(2), showing the changes to the specification.

Brief Description of the Drawings

[0010a] The patent or application file contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawings will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.

[0010b] FIG. 1 is a longitudinal cross-sectional view of a differential thermal expansion target for the production of the isotope ^{99}Mo ;

[0011] FIG. 2 is a horizontal cross-sectional view of the target illustrated in Fig. 1;

[0012] FIG. 3. is an illustration of a partially disassembled surrogate Mo-99 target assembly;

[0013] FIG. 4 is an illustration of the resistance annealing process;

[0014] FIG. 5 is an illustration of the equipment used in the resistance annealing process;

[0015] FIG. 6 is U-10% Mo foil made in accordance with this invention; and

[0016] FIG. 7 is a U-10% Mo coupon made in accordance with this invention.

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The following is a replacement version of the amended specification, in conjunction with the petition to accept color photographs under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2) and (b)(2), showing how the specification would appear after amendment.

Brief Description of the Drawings

[0010a] The patent or application file contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with color drawings will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.

[0010b] FIG. 1 is a longitudinal cross-sectional view of a differential thermal expansion target for the production of the isotope ⁹⁹Mo;

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